

TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, February 5, 2014 - 7:00 pm

San Bruno City Hall 567 El Camino Real San Bruno, CA 94066

MINUTES

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS -

A. ROLL CALL

TSPC Members:	Present	Absent
Jessica Barnes-Lopez (Chair)	X	
Mark Howard (Vice-Chair)	Χ	
Eric Wood		Χ
Tom Hamilton	Χ	
Tim Ross	Χ	

Staff in Attendance:

Joseph Cervantes, Public Services Department Klara Fabry, Public Services Department Scott Luciano, Police Department

Public in Attendance Total: 2

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Approved as submitted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the January 8, 2014 meeting minutes made by Mark Howard, second by Tim Ross. (M/Howard, S/Ross: 4-0-0) Approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

5. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

A. Receive Report Regarding Traffic Speeding on Acacia Avenue, between Santa Lucia and San Felipe Avenues

Joseph Cervantes stated two residents contacted the Public Services Department expressing concern about speeding on the 100 block of Acacia Avenue between Santa Lucia and San Felipe. Staff conducted a speed survey for both directions on two weekdays for 24 hours each on the 100 block of Acacia. The results show the traffic volume for both directions is less than 200 vehicles each way

during the 24 hour time period and the critical speed was 23 mph northbound and 25 mph southbound. The vast majority of drivers were traveling within the speed limit. The median (average) speed for the northbound direction was 19 mph and southbound was 20 mph. Peak travel times were 7 am to 9 am and 3 pm to 7 pm in both directions. Less than 2% of vehicles were traveling greater than 30 mph, so the staff recommends routine visible police enforcement to address this request.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

Heidi Beck, 160 Acacia Avenue, asked the location of the residents that made the original complaint about speeding. Joseph Cervantes responded that they are closer to the Santa Lucia end of Acacia Avenue.

Heidi Beck asked what the highest speed recorded was. Joseph Cervantes responded 33 mph was the highest speed recorded traveling southbound, and traveling northbound is 32 mph, taken at the peak 7-9 am traffic time. These counts were taken Thursday, January 23, 2014 and Monday, January 27, 2014.

Heidi Beck stated that the speeding on Acacia is generally OK, but there are maniacs traveling at excessive speeds once in a while. Backing out of driveways on Acacia is dangerous because of the volume of cars parked on the street causing very poor visibility. There is also a vehicle that parks in the crosswalk near the school and blocks visibility of children trying to cross the street.

Tara O'Connor, 188 Acacia Avenue, stated she is near El Crystal Elementary School and drivers fly through the stop signs on San Felipe.

Paul O'Connor, 188 Acacia Avenue, asked if the speed surveys are taken with tubes on the street. If so, they are not a true reading, because most drivers will slow down when crossing them.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

Mark Howard made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to install pavement marking "25" for each direction on Acacia Avenue between Santa Lucia and San Felipe Avenues to make the motorists aware of the residential speed limit of 25 MPH and requesting the Police Department to schedule routine visible speed/traffic enforcement as available during peak hours and parking enforcement in the crosswalks on Acacia during peak hours. Second by Tom Hamilton. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton): 4-0-0 - Approved.

6. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None

8. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Klara Fabry stated the Grade Separation train station is scheduled to be opening at the end of March. The project should be completed in May 2014, with the official opening on May 16, 2014. Parking issues are being finalized, including discussions about the loss the parking and a possible parking permit program for residents in the area, especially north of San Bruno Avenue near Walnut. The American Legion building on Huntington has also voiced concern about their loss of parking in front of their location, especially their ADA parking spot.

Mark Howard asked if there is room on Huntington at Forest Lane from San Bruno Avenue all the way up to Walnut on the east side of the street to install "nose in" parking versus curb parking to provide more parking spaces. Klara Fabry stated she can review the site for this.

Tim Ross asked what a special parking permit involves. Klara Fabry responded that it is a special paid parking permit for residents to park in their neighborhood. A current program exists on Huntington at Cupid Row.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated when traveling south on Huntington near the 7-Eleven store, visibility to the left is very poor due to a gate that was installed as part of the Grade Separation project. Klara Fabry responded that Joseph Cervantes is working with a traffic consultant and the JPB to improve this.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez asked if the volume of traffic lights at the Grade Separation location will be reduced when construction is complete. Klara Fabry responded that the existing temporary lights will be removed and permanent lights will be installed.

9. ADJOURNMENT

<u>Motion:</u> To adjourn the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee (TSPC) meeting until its next regular scheduled meeting on March 5, 2014 at 7 p.m. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton): 4-0-0 - <u>Approved.</u> Meeting Adjourned, 7:35 pm.